RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116 EXPEDITED PROCEDURE

UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE EXAMINING GROUP 362 In Re Application of: Makoto HIRAHAR Art Unit: 3623 Application No.: 09/668,296 Confirmation No.: 1273 Examiner: Eric T. Shaffer Washington, D.C. Filed: September 25, 2000 VISITING PLAN GENERATION METHOD ... Atty.'s Docket: HIRAHARA= Date: September 10, 2004 **AFTER FINAL** Mail Stop AF Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir Transmitted herewith is a [XX] REPLY: AMENDMENT AND REMARKS Small entity status of this application under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a verified statement previously submitted A verified statement to establish small entity status under 37 CFR 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed. ſl No additional fee is required. [XX] The fee has been calculated as shown below: (Col. 3) SMALL ENTITY OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY (Col. 1) (Col. 2) CLAIMS HIGHEST NO. PRESENT RATE ADDITIONAL OR ADDITIONAL RATE REMAINING **PREVIOUSLY EXTRA** FEE FEE **AFTER** PAID FOR **EQUALS AMENDMENT** TOTAL MINUS 0 26 \$ \$ 9 18 INDEP MINUS \$ 0 43 86 \$ FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM 145 \$ 290 \$ ADDITIONAL FEE TOTAL OR TOTAL If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, write "20" in this space. If the "Highest Number Previously Paid for" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, write "3" in this space. The "Highest Number Previously Paid For" (total or independent) is the highest number found from the equivalent box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment of the number of claims originally filed. Conditional Petition for Extension of Time If any extension of time for a response is required, applicant requests that this be considered a petition therefor. [] It is hereby petitioned for an extension of time in accordance with 37 CFR 1.136(a). The appropriate fee required by 37 CFR 1.17 is calculated as shown below: Small Entity Other Than Small Entity Response Filed Within Response Filed Within First [] \$ 55.00 First \$ 110.00 [] Second \$ 210 00 420 00 \$ 475.00 Third \$ 950.00 ſ 1 Third - \$ 740.00 Fourth Fourth \$1,480.00 [] 1 Month After Time Period Set Month After Time Period Set) already paid for ____ month(s) extension of time on [] Less fees (\$___

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